THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Michael W. Barry, et al. Jack N. Bartholmae, Francis A. Rowe, Neal E.

Tompkins, Peter A. Zuber

Serial No .:

For:

MULTIPLE PRINT ENGINE WITH ERROR HANDLING CAPABILITY

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the initial review, please amend as follows the accompanying Rule 1.53(b) continuation application of pending prior application Serial No. 09/228,872 filed on January 12, 1999.

IN THE TITLE OF THE INVENTION

Please delete the present title of the invention and insert therefor -- MULTIPLE PRINT ENGINE WITH ERROR HANDLING CAPABILITY.--

IN THE CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

Please delete the Cross Reference to Related Applications in the present application and insert the following before the first sentence of the specification: